Electrical Walkthrough Checklist

Tick each item once it's marked on the studs and on your plan

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Address _____ Date _____ Electrician _____

Kitchen

- [ ] Counter outlets right where the mixer and air fryer will sit
- [ ] A coffee or toaster spot with its own outlet
- [ ] Island power on top of the counter or as a pop-up
- [ ] Separate circuits for the fridge, dishwasher, disposal, microwave, and range
- [ ] Under-cabinet lights and the switch that runs them
- [ ] Pendants centered over the island and sink
- [ ] A pantry outlet for a stick vacuum or charging station

Living and Family Rooms

- [ ] An outlet and a low voltage box behind where the TV will hang
- [ ] Outlets at both ends of the sofa
- [ ] A floor outlet if the sofa floats in the middle of the room
- [ ] A switched outlet for a lamp in rooms with no ceiling light
- [ ] A ceiling box rated to hold a fan
- [ ] Dimmers on the main lights
- [ ] Switches at every doorway into the room

Bedrooms

- [ ] Outlets on both sides of where the bed will go
- [ ] A ceiling fan box over the bed area
- [ ] The light switch on the latch side of the door, so the door doesn't hide it
- [ ] A closet light
- [ ] A desk outlet with USB ports

Bathrooms

- [ ] An outlet inside a drawer or cabinet for a hair dryer or toothbrush
- [ ] Power behind the toilet for a bidet seat
- [ ] An exhaust fan on its own switch or a timer
- [ ] A vanity light centered over each mirror
- [ ] A thermostat spot if you want heated floors

Laundry Room

- [ ] A washer outlet
- [ ] A 240 volt dryer outlet, unless the dryer runs on gas
- [ ] An outlet at counter height for an iron or steamer
- [ ] A bright ceiling light

Garage

- [ ] A workbench outlet with room for a power strip
- [ ] A 240 volt circuit for an EV charger, even if you don't own an EV yet
- [ ] A ceiling outlet over each garage door opener
- [ ] An outlet for a chest freezer or second fridge
- [ ] Light switches at the house door and the side door

Outside

- [ ] Outlets near the patio, deck, and grill
- [ ] A switched outlet under the eaves for holiday lights
- [ ] A light at every outside door
- [ ] Motion lights over the driveway and the dark corners
- [ ] Power for doorbell cameras, a sprinkler controller, and any future hot tub

Halls, Stairs, and Entry

- [ ] Step lights or a night light on the stairs
- [ ] Switches at both ends of long halls
- [ ] An entry outlet for a lamp or charging spot
- [ ] Smoke and CO alarm spots, checked against the plan

Whole House

- [ ] Network cable to the office, each TV, and ceiling spots for Wi-Fi
- [ ] Empty spaces left in the panel for future circuits
- [ ] A generator inlet or home battery hookup
- [ ] An empty pipe from the attic to the basement for future wires

Notes and extras

Photograph every wall before insulation goes in.

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